

69 374

TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 2817/228
Serial No. 09/822091	Filing Date March 28, 2001	Examiner Not Assigned	Group Art Unit 3711
Inventor(s) Kenneth W. Nimmons			
Title of Invention BASEBALL BASE WITH IDENTIFICATION			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Information Disclosure Statement with copies of four (4) cited references; Form 1449, and post card.

- ☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☐ Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total		Minus		
Indep.		Minus		
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				

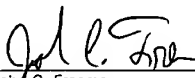
Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9 =	
x \$40 =	
+ \$135 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

or

Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$18 =	
x \$80 =	
+ \$270 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
 John C. Freeman  
 Registration No. 34,483  
 Attorney for Applicant

BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE  
 P.O. BOX 10395  
 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60610  
 (312) 321-4200

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope with sufficient postage addressed to: The Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on July 5, 2001.

Date: July 5, 2001 Signature: John C. Freeman

45



I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:  
Commissioner for Patents, Washington,  
D.C. 20231 on July 5, 2001

Name of Registered Representative:  
John C. Freeman  
John C. Freeman, Reg. No. 34,483  
July 5, 2001  
Date of Signature

PATENT  
CASE NO. 2817/228

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: )  
)  
Kenneth W. Nimmons )  
) Group Art Unit: 3711  
Serial No.: 09/820,091 )  
) Examiner: unassigned  
Filed: March 28, 2001 )  
)  
For: BASEBALL BASE )  
WITH IDENTIFICATION )

RECEIVED  
JUL 10 2001  
TC 3700 MAIL ROOM

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby submits the following references for consideration by the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed along with a completed copy of Form PTO-1449.

**I. DISCLOSURE**

**A. U.S. Patents**

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
4,723,779	Hauser	02/09/88
5,000,447	Bartoli	03/19/91
5,290,028	Bartoli	03/01/94
5,415,395	Bartoli	05/16/95

**III. CONCLUSION**

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed. However, Applicant wishes to make it clear that the disclosure of the above references is in no way an admission that they qualify as prior art. It is Applicant's desire, however, to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to see. Applicant therefore requests that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference and make the above-listed references of record.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Freeman

John C. Freeman  
Registration No. 34,483  
Attorney for Applicant

BRINKS HOFER  
GILSON & LIONE  
P.O. Box 10395  
Chicago, Illinois 60610  
(312) 321-4200  
Dated: July 5, 2001